

**SALEM BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS
MINUTES OF APPEALS HEARING
SALEM TOWN HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM 1
APRIL 16, 2011**

Members Present: Robert Green, Terrell Patterson, Frank Abetti

Meeting called to order at 9:00AM by Robert Green.

The following is the list of appellants and appointment times:

**9:00AM Charles Zemko 228 Hartford Road, Salem
List Number: 400779**

C. Zemko was sworn in by Robert Green.

Appellant Claim:

- Property on Rattlesnake Ledge Road had been sold; all equipment on site had been sold as of 2008.
- Property on Hartford Road all equipment on site had been sold: tools, pay loader, etc.

Board Decision: Unanimous agreement that equipment on properties had been sold to other parties and removed before the October 1, 2010 grand list. The Board will inform the assessor to remove the personal property claim in the amount of \$3,290.00

Appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's Decision.

**9:15AM Salem Country Gardens 380 New London Road 860-859-2508
List Number 400592**

Board Decision: There will be no change in assessment. Appellant did not appear and will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

**9:30AM Steven Mann 359 Hartford Road, Salem 860-303-1214
List Number: 130076**

S. Mann was sworn in by Robert Green.

Appellant Claim:

- 2008 Volvo XC70 should have a lower assessment fee due to high mileage (37, 425) and estimated value of \$23,450.00.

Board Decision: No changes will be made at this time. Appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

**9:45AM Steven Mann 359 Hartford Road, Salem 860-303-1214
List Number: 130078**

Appellant Claim:

- 2005 Mini Cooper as of January 30, 2011 no longer own. Assessment value higher than should be due to high mileage (98,000).

The Board discussed the average retail and average condition of the vehicle.

Board Decision: The clean retail is \$11,575.00 x assessment .70 = \$8,103.00 reduced assessment. The Assessor will be informed of the decrease; the appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

10:00AM Steven Mann 359 Hartford Road, Salem 860-303-1214

List Number: 80055

Appellant Claim:

- 2008 Mini Cooper assessment value high due to mileage (39,000).

Board Decision: No changes to assessment will be made at this time. The appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

10:15AM Steven Mann 359 Hartford Road, Salem 860-303-1214

List Number: 80056

Appellant Claim:

- 2003 Silverado assessment too high due to poor condition and high mileage of truck.

The Board discussed the 2010 assessment of \$11,271.00.

Board Decision: The clean retail is \$7,491.00 x assessment .70 = \$5,243.00 rounded down to \$5,240.00 will be the assessed value. The Assessor will be informed of the decrease; the appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

10:05AM Kathleen Scalise 47 Warner Road, Kensington, CT 860-329-7510

List Number: 400694

K. Scalise was sworn in by R. Green

Appellant Claim:

- 2001 Breckenridge 40' camper model #1240SEDB2 assessment too high.

The Board discussed the condition of the camper; miscellaneous assessment to include shed and 3 season sunroom.

Board Decision: The Board will verify with the Assessor what is listed for the miscellaneous assessment. The camper will be \$8,830 x .70 = \$6,181.00 assessed fee plus \$8,500.00 miscellaneous assessment = \$14,681.00. The appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

10:45AM Joan Marks 12 E. Lake Drive, Middletown, CT

List Number: 400442

J. Marks was sworn in by R. Green

Appellant Claim:

- The assessment on the camper is too high.

The Board discussed the trailer is in average condition; miscellaneous assessment includes deck (12x30), shed (5x8) and golf cart.

Board Decision: The Board refigured the assessment of the camper: \$4,000.00 x .70 = \$2,800.00 camper assessment plus \$1,490.00 miscellaneous assessment = \$4,290.00 new assessment value. The Assessor will be notified of the decrease and the appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

11:00AM Thomas Dion 19R Freestone Avenue, Portland, CT 860-301-7754

List Number: 400212

T. Dion was sworn in by Robert Green.

Appellant Claim:

- 1995 Sentinel camper assessment too high.

The Board discussed with the appellant the amount of the assessment also included a 25% penalty for filing the property declaration after November 1. The appellant said the trailer is in average condition. The Board told the appellant they will look into the value of the camper, but penalty is done per state stature.

Board Decision: No decision at this time. Research will be done with the Assessor to see if the trailer value could be adjusted. Appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

11:15AM Gary E. & Patricia Colson 1225 S Grand Street, W. Suffield, CT 860-672-5272

List Number: 400085

Board Decision: There will be no change in assessment. Appellant did not appear and will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

11:30AM Roger Burdick 232 Phoenixville Road, Chaplin, CT 860-428-0602

List Number: 400992

R. Burdick was sworn in by R. Green.

Appellant Claim:

- 2004 Thor camper model #241BH assessment increase of \$1,800.00.

Board discussed assessment also included miscellaneous for a new 20 x 10 deck, 1984 golf cart. Appellant informed the Board his declaration letter stated if there were no changes, he would not have to return it the Assessor's office.

Board Decision: No decision at the time. Research will be done with the Assessor and the appellant will be notified by mail of the Board's decision.

11:45AM Raymond & Laura Lentocha 583 Ridgewood Road, Middletown, CT 860-635-1171

List Number: 874

R. & L. Lentocha were sworn in by R. Green.

Appellant Claim:

- Assessment of property at 55 Lake View Avenue, Salem

Board explained the property value is based on the 2006 Assessment. The reevaluation is taking place now and new assessment value will start in October 2011.

Board Decision: There will be no change in assessment. The appellant will be notified by mail.

12:00PM F.E. Crandall Disposal, Inc. 168 Lambtown Road, Ledyard, CT 860-625-7330

List Number: 400509

Appellant Claim:

- Radio Repeater no longer on property.

The appellant informed the Board the radio repeater on the assessment has not been on the property for at least 3 years.

Board Decision: The radio repeater will be removed from the personal property. The Assessor will be informed and the appellant will be notified by mail.

12:15PM Northern Leasing Systems 2121 SW Broadway #200, Portland, OR 503-721-3104
List Number: 400509

Board Decision: There will be no change in assessment. Appellant will be notified by mail.

12:30PM Kobyluck Brothers, LLC 24 Industrial Drive, Waterford, CT 860-444-9604

Rescheduled for April 18, 2011 at 7:15PM.

Hearing adjourned at 12:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Weston
Recording Secretary